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PREFERENCE ISSUE

REF: A. DACCA 3397 B. STATE 111965

1. FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON COMMONWEALTH PREFERENCES PROVIDED
EMBOFF BY ABDULLAH, DEPUTY SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND
FOREIGN TRADE, AUGUST 6.

A. BANGLADESH HAS MADE NO REPEAT NO TARIFF PREFERENCE
ARRANGEMENTS SINCE INDEPENDENCE (PRE-INDEPENDENCE TARIFF
PREFERENCE AGREEMENTS, IF ANY, MAY STILL BE IN FORCE).
BDG REVIEW OF TARIFFS REVEAL NO PREFERENCE SCHEME NOW
IN USE FOR ANY ITEM THAT IS A MAJOR IMPORT OR EXPORT OF
BANGLADESH.

2. OUR OWN SEARCH OF BANGLADESH CUSTOMS TARIFF, CORRECTED UP TO
OCTOBER 1, 1972, REVEALED NUMBER OF PREFERENTIAL TARIFFS BENEFITING
THE UK. (RELEVANT EXCERPTS BEING POUCHED) BANOVLADESH DOES NOT
PUBLISH IMPORT DUTIES BY STIC NUMBER SO WE ARE UNABLE TO DETERMINE
THE EXACT VOLUME OF EACH IMPORT ITEM AFFECTED BY PREFERENCES.
HOWEVER, WE DO NOT BELEIVE THAT EXISTING PREFERENCES HAVE A
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SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE VOLUME OF US EXPORTS TO BNAGLADESH.

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